Independent Order of Odd Fellows Reserve Lodge #102 Montezuma, Indiana collection L422

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Summary Information

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Repository Rare Books and Manuscripts

Creator Independent Order of Odd Fellows Reserve Lodge #102 (Montezuma,

Ind.).

Title Independent Order of Odd Fellows Reserve Lodge #102 Montezuma,

Indiana collection

Date 1850-1925

Extent 0.3 Cubic feet 1 manuscript box

Language English

Preferred Citation

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Administrative History

The Independent Order of Odd Fellows is a independent political and religious organization which was founded in 1819 after breaking away from the original English branch. A fraternal order in many communities across the globe, they focus on charity, personal and social improvement. This particular collection deals with the lowest of three tiers, that of the Lodge, rather than the Encampment or Patriarch Militant.

The Order was mostly active up until the American Civil War, when membership dropped significantly, but rose again until the advent of the New Deal under Franklin D. Roosevelt. Today, their headquarters are in South Carolina, and still have many active branches across the globe.

Scope and Contents

This collection contains several official documents of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows from Montezuma, Indiana. It includes several account books, a minute book, treasury books, a roll of officers, pamphlets and booklets containing general information on the group's rules and constitution.

Arrangement

This collection is arranged by subject.

Administrative Information

Publication Information

Rare Books and Manuscripts

Conditions Governing Access

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Conditions Governing Use

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Custodial History

This collection was received by Rare Books and Manuscripts as a donation by Alan F. January.

Accruals

No further additions are expected.

Processing Information

Collection processing completed 2016/02/23 by Patrick Ridout. EAD finding aid created 2016/02/23 by Patrick Ridout.

Controlled Access Headings

Corporate Name(s)

• Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

Geographic Name(s)

• Montezuma (Ind.)

Subject(s)

- Indiana--Societies and clubs
- Private membership clubs

Collection Inventory

	Box	Folder
Pamphlets, circa 1850s	1	1
Account book, 1851-1861	1	2
Treasurer's cash book, 1851-1861	1	3
Roll of officers, 1851-1861	1	4
Account book, 1851-1861	1	5
Account book, 1862-1891	1	6
Account book, 1912-1925	1	7
	Box	Volume
Minute book, 1911-1914	1	1